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ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
BILLINGS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DANE RALPH JAMES CURRY,

Defendant.

CR 23- 05.-BLG-SPW

INDICTMENT

CONSPIRACY TO PRODUCE CHILD
PORNOGRAPHY (Count 1)

Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 2251(a) and (c)
(Penalty: Mandatory minimum 15 to 30
years of imprisonment, \$250,000 fine, five
years to lifetime supervised release, \$50,000
special assessment, and \$5,000 special
assessment)

SEX TRAFFICKING OF A MINOR
(Count 2)

Title 18 U.S.C. §§ 1591(a), 1594(a)
(Penalty: Mandatory minimum 10 years to
life imprisonment, \$250,000 fine, five years
to lifetime supervised release, and \$5,000
special assessment)

	DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS IN FEDERAL INVESTIGATION (Count 3) Title 18 U.S.C. § 1519 (Penalty: Twenty years of imprisonment, \$250,000 fine, three years of supervised release, and \$100 special assessment)
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THE GRAND JURY CHARGES:

COUNT 1

That in and around April 2021, at Ekalaka, within Carter County, in the State and District of Montana, and elsewhere, the defendant, DANE RALPH JAMES CURRY, did knowingly conspire with those known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to employ, use, persuade, induce, entice, and coerce any minor, namely Jane Doe 1, to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual depiction of such conduct, which was produced using materials that had been mailed, shipped and transported in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce by any means, including by computer, and such visual depiction was actually transported in interstate and foreign commerce and such visual depiction was in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 2251(a) and (e).

COUNT 2

That in and around April 2021, at Ekalaka, within Carter County, in the State and District of Montana, and elsewhere, the defendant, DANE RALPH JAMES

CURRY, in and affecting interstate and foreign commerce, did knowingly recruit, entice, harbor, transport, provide, obtain, advertise, maintain, patronize, and solicit, by any means an individual, knowing and in reckless disregard that individual was under the age of 18, to engage in a commercial sex act, and attempted to do so, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 1591(a) and 1594.

COUNT 3

From in and around April 2021 until October 2022, at Ekalaka, within Carter County, in the State and District of Montana, and elsewhere, the defendant, DANE RALPH JAMES CURRY, did knowingly destroy a record, that is a visual depiction of Jane Doe 1, with the intent to impede, obstruct, and influence the investigation and proper administration of a matter within the jurisdiction of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an agency of the United States, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

A TRUE BILL.

Foreperson signature redacted.
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